



## Request for Bids (RFB) Textbooks and Reading Materials

**Purchaser:** Ministry of Education Dili, Timor Leste

**Project:** Basic Education Strengthening and Transformation (BEST) Project

**Contract title:** Printing of Textbooks and Reading Materials

**Country:** Timor Leste

**Grant No.:** IDA No. 65510 TFB2130

**RFB No:** 030/BEST/TL

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1. The Government of Democratic Republic of Timor-Leste (hereinafter called “Borrower”) has received financing from the International Development Association (IDA) (the “Bank”) in the form of a “grant” (hereinafter called “grant” toward the cost of Component 3 of the Basic Education Strengthening and Transformation (BEST) Project. The Ministry of Education (ME), the implementing agency of the Client, intends to apply part of the proceeds toward payments under the contract for Printing of Textbook and Reading Materials.
2. The Ministry of Education now invites sealed Bids from eligible Bidders for : Printing of Textbooks and Reading Materials described in Section VII Schedule Requirements, List of the books.
3. Bidding will be conducted through international competitive procurement using a Request for Bids (RFB) as specified in the World Bank’s “Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers” late version September 2023 (“Procurement Regulations”) and is open to all eligible Bidders as defined in the Procurement Regulations.
4. Interested eligible Bidders may obtain further information from Mr. Apolinario Marcal Maia do Rego, *BEST Project Manager*, or email to: [bestmetl01@gmail.com](mailto:bestmetl01@gmail.com); [bestproject861@gmail.com](mailto:bestproject861@gmail.com) cc: [mariedi\\_mica@yahoo.com](mailto:mariedi_mica@yahoo.com) and inspect the bidding document during office hours 0900 to 1700 hours at the address given below :

*BEST PIMU Office  
Ministry of Education  
Rua Tualaran, Dili – Timor Leste*



5. The bidding document in English may be obtained by interested Bidders upon the submission of a written application to the address below. The document will be sent by via e-mail.
6. Bids must be delivered to the address below on or before *15:00 hrs on 18 January 2024*. Electronic Bidding is not permitted. Late Bids will be rejected. Bids will be publicly opened in the presence of the Bidders' designated representatives and anyone who chooses to attend at the address below,
7. All Bids must be accompanied by "*Bid-Securing Declaration*,"
8. Attention is drawn to the Procurement Regulations requiring the Borrower to disclose information on the successful bidder's beneficial ownership, as part of the Contract Award Notice, using the Beneficial Ownership Disclosure Form as included in the bidding document.
9. The address referred to above is:

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